

Notice of Allowability

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 5/19/2004.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-20.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 14 July 2001 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

Pierre E. Elisca
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REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. This is an Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance. The closest prior art Wagner U.S. Pat. No. 5,742,845 discloses a data transaction system which communicate with a plurality of remote terminals to transfer information used to complete a transaction. The transaction may include special purpose devices such as automatic teller machines (ATMs), point of sale terminals, and credit card terminal. Wo009745796A1, Barcelou, David M. discloses an automated retail terminal in which a plurality of goods and/or services are provided in an integrated system. IBM Technical Disclosure Bulletin TDB-ACC-NO: NN83112704 discloses an automatic teller machine performance measurement.

However, neither Wagner nor Barcelou and IBM Technical Disclosure Bulletin singularly or in combination fail to anticipate or render obvious the recited feature.

As per claim 1 "software executable in the computer, wherein the software includes a browser, wherein the software is operative to enable the computer to access an HTML document which correspond to the availability of the transaction function devices in the machine".

As per claim 7 "wherein the computer is operative to communicate data representative of the device data to the server and wherein the server is operative responsive to receipt of the device data to deliver at least one HTML document to the browser for processing wherein the computer is operative responsive to the one HTML document to operate the output device".

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As per claim 10 " accessing with a browser operating in a computer in an automated transaction machine, either the first or the second document wherein the first document is accessed when the machine includes the first transaction function device but not the second transaction function device, and wherein the second document is accessed when the machine includes both the first and the second transaction function devices".

As per claim 19 " wherein a first document includes a first display reference, wherein the first display reference correspond to a first availability condition of the transaction function devices in an automated transaction machine, wherein a second document includes a second display reference, wherein the second display reference correspond to a second availability condition of transaction function devices in an automated transaction machine, accessing with the browser either the first or the second document, wherein the first document is accessed when the provided automated transaction machine corresponds to the first availability condition, and wherein the second document is accessed when the provided automated transaction machine corresponds to the second availability condition", providing a display to an output device, wherein the display corresponds to the document accessed".

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

2. Please amend claim 20 without prejudice.

Claim 20, line 1, delete the apparatus and add --- the method---.

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Pierre E. Elisca whose telephone number is 571 272 6706. The examiner can normally be reached on 6:30 to 5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James Trammell can be reached on 571 272 6712. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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